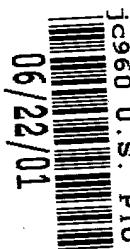


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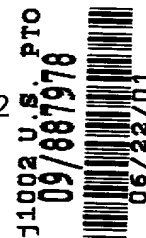
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PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No. 1780/1D144-US2



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: William GRAY and Richard A. GAMBALE

For: TEMPORARY VASCULAR FILTER GUIDE WIRE

CONTINUING APPLICATION

Hon. Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of a:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional

application of the following pending prior application:

Serial No. 09/457,203 Filed: December 6, 1999

Of: William GRAY and Richard A. GAMBALE

For: TEMPORARY VASCULAR FILTER GUIDE WIRE

Examiner: L. Ngo Group: 3731

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application as originally filed (along with a copy of the original Declaration). No amendments identified in the declaration for this prior application introduced new matter. Please use this copy as the application and declaration for the present case.

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2. The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED, AFTER ACCOMPANYING AMENDMENT

	Claims on File	Number Extra	Rate
Basic Fee			\$710.00
Total Claims	11 - 20 =	x \$18	\$
Independent Claims	4 - 3 =	1 x \$80	\$80.00
If Multiple Dependent Claims Are Present, Add \$270.00			\$0.00
Total Filing Fee			\$790.00
For Small Entity (half of preceding total)*			\$

\*No. 9 below must be checked to claim this reduction.

3. A check in the amount of \$790 is enclosed.
4. [x] Cancel claims 1-21.
5. [X] Amend the specification as follows. On page 1, after the title, add the following paragraph (check one and fill in):

This is a [] continuation, [X] division, of application Serial No. 09/457,203, filed December 6, 1999, which is a continuation of application Serial No. PCT/US98/23516, filed November 3, 1998, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/963,524, filed November 3, 1997, now abandoned. Each of these prior applications is hereby incorporated herein by reference, in its entirety.

6. [X] The prior application is assigned to: C.R. Bard, Inc.

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7. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is also enclosed.
8. ☐ Drawings are filed herewith
9. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
10. ☐ Priority is claimed from  
Country:  
Number:  
Date:

The priority document

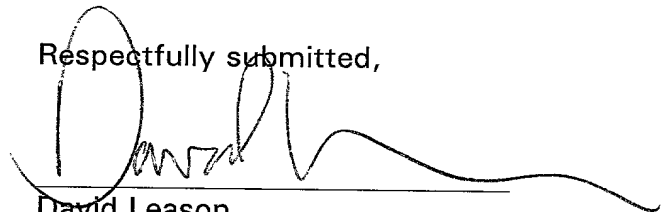
- ☐ was filed in the prior application  
☐ is enclosed.

11. The Assignment

- ☒ was submitted for recordal on June 13, 2001  
☐ is enclosed.

Date: June 22, 2001

Respectfully submitted,



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